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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed August 28, 2003, December 9, 2003, and July 8, 2005, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is also enclosed.

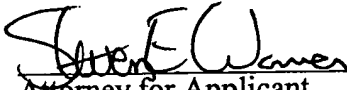
The Japanese Office Action dated June 6, 2005, was issued in counterpart Japanese patent application number 2002-255110. The documents cited in this Japanese Office Action were previously submitted in the Third Information Disclosure Statement filed July 8, 2005. A translation of this Japanese Office Action will be provided if the Examiner so requires.

Applicant requests that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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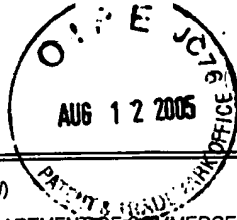
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